# GAS UTILITY DISTRICT NUMBER 1 of EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 2010

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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

Board of Commissioners Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish Zachary, Louisiana

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana, a related organization of the East Baton Rouge Parish Government, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of Gas Utility District No. 1's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatements. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish as of June 30, 2010 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT PAGE 2

Management's discussion and analysis on page 3 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by the Government Accounting Standards Board. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

In accordance with Government Auditing Standards, I have also issued my report dated September 20, 2010, on my consideration of Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish's internal control over financial reporting and my tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grants. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with Government Auditing Standards and should be read in conjunction with this report in considering the results of my audit.

My audit was performed for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements taken as a whole. The accompanying Schedule 1 listed in the table of contents as supplementary information is presented for purposes of additional analysis as required by the Louisiana Governmental Audit Guide and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and, in my opinion, is fairly presented in all material respects in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

William P. Gaines, Jr., CPA

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September 20, 2010

#### MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

The Management's Discussion and Analysis of Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish presents narrative overview and analysis of the District's financial activities for the year ended June 30, 2010. This document focuses on the current year's activities, resulting changes and currently known fact in comparison with the prior year's information. We encourage readers to consider the information presented here in conjunction with the District's financial statements, which follow this section.

#### **Financial Highlights**

- The revenues of the District exceeded its expenses as of June 30, 2010 by \$828,776.
- At June 30, 2010, the District's assets totaled \$3,364,368.
- The District reported gas sales of \$2,690,143 during the year ended June 30, 2010.
- The District's Meter Deposit had an increase in the year ended June 30, 2010.
- The District's Gas System had approximately \$98,020 of major capital additions.

#### **Overview of the Financial Statements**

The preparation of these financial statements requires the utilization of significant estimates, many of which will not be known for many years.

#### **Condensed Statements of Retained Earnings**

	June 30, 2010	June 30, 2009
Total Assets	<u>\$ 3,364,368</u>	<u>\$ 2,458,802</u>
Total Liabilities	503,486	426,726
Retained Earnings	<u>\$ 2,860,882</u>	<u>\$ 2,032,076</u>

## GAS UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH BALANCE SHEET ENTERPRISE FUND JUNE 30, 2010

#### ASSETS

CURRENT ASSETS  Cash and cash equivalents Investments Billed accounts receivable  Less allowance for uncollectible Unbilled accounts receivable Prepaid insurance  TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	\$ 897,597 1,133,942 37,119 ( 3,000) 93,328 56,791 2,215,777
RESTRICTED ASSETS	
Cash - Bond redemption fund	5,023
Cash - Retiree health insurance	372,634
Cash - Customer meter deposit	<u>146,173</u>
TOTAL RESTRICTED ASSETS	523,830
NONCURRENT ASSETS	
Capital Assets	
Land	22,900
Buildings	369,910
Machinery and equipment	389,186
Furniture and fixtures	36,003
Vehicles	187,377
Gas system	1,970,087
Contributed assets	6,000
Billing software	21,465
Less accumulated depreciation	( 2,378,237)
Deposits	70
TOTAL NONCURRENT ASSETS	<u>624,761</u>
TOTAL ASSETS	<u>\$ 3,364,368</u>

## GAS UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 of EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH BALANCE SHEET ENTERPRISE FUND JUNE 30, 2010

#### LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY

CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Accounts payable	\$	89
Current portion, compensated absences		70,144
Net OPEB obligation (Note 5)		77,652
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		147,885
NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		
Unclaimed bonds		5,023
Customer meter deposits		137,533
Compensated absences		213,085
TOTAL NONCURRENT LIABILITIES		355,641
TOTAL LIABILITIES		503,526
FUND EQUITY		
Contributed capital		6,000
Retained earnings -		
Reserved - Bond redemption		5,023
Reserved - Customer deposits	•	146,173
Reserved - Other Post Employment Benefits		372,634
Unreserved	, 	<u>2,331,012</u>
Total - retained earnings		<u>2,854,842</u>
TOTAL FUND EQUITY		2 <u>.860,842</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY	<u>\$</u> :	3 <u>,364,368</u>

See accompanying notes

# GAS UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 of EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

<b>OPERATING REVENUE</b>	S	
Gas sales		\$ 2,690,143
Service charges		61,547
Other income		59,538
	TOTAL OPERATING REVENUES	2,811,228
OPERATING EXPENSES	<b>3</b> ·	
Gas purchases		589,130
Payroll		544,253
Insurance		124,691
Compensated absences	<b>;</b>	111,035
Employee benefits		107,167
Post retirement benefit	s ·	85,497
Repairs and maintenan	ce	54,422
Depreciation expense		78,306
Employee retirement	•	67,718
Payroll taxes		47,244
Fuel		28,055
Legal and professional		35,586
Postage		21,838
Gas purchases fee		11,702
Office expense		5,851
Telephone		11,713
Utilities		14,599
Supplies		21,621
Miscellaneous		7,338
Small tools		11,519
Employee training and	seminars	8,289
Janitorial and trash		5,658
Dues		3,839

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# GAS UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 of EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES AND CHANGES IN RETAINED EARNINGS (continued) ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

Bad debt	5,058
One call concept	2,102
Security	1,203
Drug testing	1,089
Rental of equipment	1,890
Bank charges	773
Taxes and licenses	316
Freight	<u> 183</u>
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENS	ES <u>2,009,685</u>
OPERATING INCOM	ME <u>801,543</u>
NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES)	
Interest income	27,223
TOTAL NON-OPERATING REVENUES (EXPENSES	S) <u>27,223</u>
NET INCOM	ME <u>828.766</u>
RETAINED EARNINGS, at beginning of year	2,026,076
RETAINED EARNINGS, AT END OF YEAR	<u>\$ 2,854,842</u>

See accompanying notes

## GAS UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 of EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS ENTERPRISE FUND FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES	•
Operating income	\$ 828,766
Adjustments to reconcile operating income to	Ψ 020,700
net cash provided by operating activities:	
Depreciation	78,306
Changes in assets and liabilities	10,500
(Increase) Decrease in receivables	( 8,298)
(Increase) Decrease in unbilled receivables	( 8,081)
(Increase) Decrease in unbilled receivables  (Increase) Decrease in prepaid expenses	6,196
Increase (Decrease) in accounts payable	( 710)
, , ,	39,299
Increase (Decrease) in compensated absences	•
Increase (Decrease) in other payables	38,211
NET CASH PROVIDED BY OPERATING ACTIVITIES	D73 (00
OPERATING ACTIVITIES	<u>973,698</u>
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CASH FLOWS FROM	0
NONCAPITAL FINANCING ACTIVITIES	U
CASH FLOWS FROM	
CAPITAL AND RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	
	( 00 010)
Acquisition of capital assets  NET CASH (USED) FOR CAPITAL AND	<u>(98,019</u> )
RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	( 00 010)
RELATED FINANCING ACTIVITIES	(98,019)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES	
Interest earned on investments	27,223
Withdrawn from CD's	•
	380,436
Deposited in CD's	<u>( 252,173</u> )
NET CASH (USED) BY	155 406
INVESTING ACTIVITIES	<u>155,486</u>
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NET INCREASE IN CASH	1,031,156
CASH AT BEGINNING OF YEAR	390,271
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CASH AT END OF YEAR (NOTE 2)	<u>\$ 1,421,427</u>

See accompanying notes

#### Introduction and Nature of Activities

The Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish (hereinafter referred to as the "District") is a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana and a related organization of the East Baton Rouge Parish Government. The District was created by the East Baton Rouge Parish government on November 8, 1961, under the provision of R.S. 33:4301, and operates under a Board of Commissioners form of government. The commissioners are appointed for a term of five years, except to fill an unexpired term. There are nine commissioners, seven of which are appointed by the East Baton Rouge Parish Council and two which are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Zachary. The District provides natural gas to homes and businesses in a defined area of East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana. The District serves approximately 3,200 customers and has approximately 13 employees.

#### NOTE 1. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### A. Basis of Presentation

The accompanying financial statements of the District have been prepared in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) as applied to government units. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles.

Effective for the year ended December 31, 2004, the District implemented Statement No. 34, Basic Financial Statements - and Management's Discussion and Analysis - for State and Local Governments. The most significant change as a result of the implementation of Statement No. 34 is, for the first time, the District included a Management's Discussion and Analysis (MD&A) section providing an analysis of the District's overall financial position and results of operations. The implementation of this new accounting pronouncement did not change the District's policies for recognizing revenues or expenses and did not result in any changes in reporting earnings or retained earnings of the District.

#### B. Reporting Entity

Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish is a related organization of the East Baton Rouge Parish government (the primary government). Organizations for which a primary government is accountable because the government appoints a voting majority of the board, but is

not financially accountable, are related organizations. The East Baton Rouge Parish government is not financially accountable for the District. The accompanying financial statements present only financial information of this related organization and no other organizations.

#### C. Fund Accounting

The Gas Utility District is organized and operated on a fund basis whereby a self-balancing set of accounts (Enterprise Fund) is maintained that comprises its assets, liabilities, fund equity, revenues, and expenses. The operations are financed and operated in a manner similar to a private business enterprise, where the intent of the governing body is that the cost (expenses, including depreciation) of providing services on a continuing basis be financed or recovered primarily through user charges.

The District follows all GASB pronouncements and all FASB statements and interpretations that were issued prior to November 30, 1989, unless those pronouncements conflict with or contradict GASB pronouncements, as described in paragraph 6 of GASB 20.

#### D. Basis of Accounting

The accounting and financial reporting treatment applied to a fund is determined by its measurement focus. The Enterprise Fund is accounted for on a flow of economic resources measurement focus and a determination of net income and capital maintenance. With this measurement focus, all assets and all liabilities associated with the operation of this fund are included on the balance sheet. The Enterprise Fund uses the accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized when earned and expenses are recognized at the time liabilities are incurred.

#### E. Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash includes cash on hand and cash in interest bearing demand deposits. Cash equivalents include amounts in time deposits (CD's) and investments with original maturities of 90 days or less. Under state law, the District may deposit funds in demand deposits, interest bearing demand deposits or time deposits with state banks organized under Louisiana law or any other state of the United States, or under the laws of the United States.

#### F. <u>Investments</u>

The District has investments in certificates of deposit totaling \$ 1,133,942 in 2010. Governmental Accounting Standards Board Statement 9 requires non-negotiable certificates of deposits with an original maturity of more than three months be classified as investments.

#### G. <u>Inventory</u>

The District's inventory, valued at the lower of cost or market, consists of hot water heaters and gas space heaters. Cost is determined using the first-in first-out method. The current balance of inventory is zero.

#### H. Unclaimed Bonds

All outstanding bonds matured on June 1, 1987 and do not earn any interest from that date. The interest rate on the bonds was 4% per annum. The balance remaining of unclaimed bonds is \$5,023.

#### I. Prepaid Items

The District's only prepaid asset consists of prepaid insurance. The District's insurance policy period is February 1 through January 31.

#### J. Restricted Assets

Certain proceeds of the Enterprise Fund revenue bonds, as well as certain resources set aside for their repayment, are classified as restricted assets on the balance sheet because their use is limited by applicable bond covenants. The District has sufficient funds in demand deposits to redeem all bonds still outstanding.

The District must maintain in demand deposits an amount equal to customers' deposits for service.

Additionally, the Board funded \$380,436 of its estimated \$785,126 liability to provide health insurance as a post retirement benefit. These funds are available to pay current, as well as estimated future health insurance premiums of qualified retired employees.

#### K. <u>Fixed Assets</u>

Fixed assets of the District are included on the balance sheet of the fund. Depreciation is charged as an expense against operations.

Fixed assets are recorded at cost and depreciated using the straight line method over their estimated useful lives. The estimated useful lives are as follows:

Buildings	25 years
Machinery and equipment	5 - 12 years
Furniture and fixtures	5 - 10 years
Vehicles	5 years
Gas systems	15 - 40 years

#### L. Accounts Receivable

All accounts receivable result from billings to customers for natural gas used.

#### M. <u>Bad Debts</u>

Uncollectible accounts due from customers are recognized as bad debts through the establishment of an allowance account. In 2009, the allowance account was deemed to be sufficient; consequently, no adjustments were made. The bad debt expense, changed to the allowance account, for June 30, 2010 was \$5,058.

#### N. Unbilled Accounts Receivable

The District has it's customer routes divided into 4 billing cycles which are the 1st, the 8th, the 16th, and the 22nd of each month. Under this procedure, meters are read and billed based on their billing cycle. At the end of the month, customers will have used some gas for which they have not yet been billed. At the end of June, an entry is made to accrue this unbilled revenue.

#### O. <u>Use of Estimates</u>

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

#### P. Income Taxes

The District is a local governmental entity that is exempt from income taxes.

#### Q. Compensated Absences

The District's policy on vacation allows the carryover of vacation days. The number of days allowed is determined by the length of service. The maximum number of vacation days that can be accumulated is 45. Sick leave is earned at the rate of one day for every month worked. Employees vest sick leave days up to 10 years of service. The maximum at that level is 6 months full pay and 6 months half pay. At the date of termination, an employee will be paid for any unused vacation and sick leave at their then current rate of pay. The estimated amount of vacation and sick leave to be used in the coming year is considered a current liability. The balance of the unpaid vacation and sick leave is considered a long term liability.

#### R. Pension Fund for Employees

The District established the "Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish Money Purchase Plan" effective June 1, 1979. State Farm Insurance Company is the trustee of this defined contribution plan.

The plan is funded by monthly contributions of 10% of eligible employee wages paid between July 1 and June 30. The plan allows eligible employee contributions of up to 10% of their wages. To be an eligible employee, an individual must be 21 years of age and have been employed by the Gas Utility District for six months.

The District uses Union Planters Bank's Non-Standardized Defined Contribution Prototype Plan and complies with the provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1986 which became effective in 1993. The vesting schedule presently being applied is as follows:

1 - 2 years participation	0%	vested
3 years	20%	vested
4 years	40%	vested
5 years	60%	vested
6 years	80%	vested
7 and over years	100%	vested

When an employee leaves employment and the employee is not fully vested, the unvested portion is used to reduce the current year's contribution.

The contributions for the year ended June 30, 2010 were \$67,718.

#### S. Post Employment Benefits

The District provides certain health care benefits, in accordance with the policy adopted by the Board of Commissioners, to all employees who retire from the District and to the retirees' beneficiaries and dependents who were receiving benefits when the retiree died. At June 30, 2010, the District had two retired employee's dependents who were receiving these benefits. The District recognizes the cost of providing these benefits by expensing the annual insurance premium, which was \$28,823 for the year ended June 30, 2010.

#### T. Related Party Transactions

There were no related party transactions.

#### U. Litigation and Claims

There were no litigations or claims against the District.

#### V. Subsequent Events

There were no subsequent events.

#### W. Reserves of Retained Earnings

Reserved retained earnings represent those portions of the retained earnings which are either not available for expenditure or legally segregated for a specific future use.

The Reserved - Bond redemption of \$5,023 for June 30, 2010 is required by the bond issuance documents. A sinking fund was required to accumulate the cash to pay off the revenue bonds and the related interest as they came due. This amount satisfies all the bonds and interest that remain unclaimed.

The Reserved - Customer deposits of \$137,541 at June 30, 2010 is required as an escrow fund for deposits made by customers. There must always be on deposit an amount at least equal to the deposits made by customers. This money cannot be used for any other purpose.

The Reserved - Retiree Health Plan - Funds are being escrowed to insure the District has sufficient cash available to pay health insurance benefits of qualifying retired employees. As of June 30, 2010, \$372,634 is in escrow for this purpose. The estimated actuarial liability that remains unfunded is \$412,492.

#### NOTE 2. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

At June 30, 2010, the District had cash and cash equivalents of \$1,421,391 as follows:

Current Assets		
Cash on hand	\$	1,801
Cash in interest bearing demand deposits		895,760
Total in current assets	\$	897,561
Restricted Assets		
Cash in interest bearing demand deposits		5,023
Cash in interest bearing demand deposits		146,173
Cash in interest bearing demand deposits		372,634
Total in restricted assets	_	523,830
Total Cash and Cash Equivalents	<u>\$</u>	<u>1,421,391</u>

These deposits are stated at cost, which approximates market. Under state law, these deposits or bank balances must be secured by federal deposit insurance or the pledge of securities owned by the fiscal agent bank. The market value of the pledged securities plus the federal deposit insurance must at all times equal the amount on deposit with the fiscal agent. These securities are held in the name of the pledging fiscal agent bank in a holding or custodial bank that is mutually acceptable to both parties. At June 30, 2010 the District had \$2,553,566 in deposits (collected bank balances and certificates of deposit). These deposits are secured from risk by \$100,000 of federal deposit insurance and \$3,278,600 of pledged securities held by the custodial bank in the name of the fiscal agent bank (GASB Category 3). Even though the pledged securities are considered uncollateralized (Category 3) under the provisions of GASB Statements No. 3, La. R.S. 39:1229 imposes a statutory requirement on the custodial bank to advertise and sell the pledged securities within 10 days of being notified by the District that the fiscal agent has failed to pay deposited funds upon demand.

**NOTE 3. FIXED ASSETS** 

A summary of fixed assets at June 30, 2010 follows:

	•	Accumulated	
	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Depreciation</u>	<u>Net</u>
Land	\$ 22,900	\$ -0-	\$ 22,900
Buildings	369,910	361,623	8,287
Machinery and equipment	389,186	328,495	60,691
Furniture and fixtures	36,003	35,361	. 642
Vehicles	187,377	172,180	15,197
Billing software	21,465	11,270	10,195
Gas system	1,970,087	1,469,308	500,779
Contributed assets	<u>6,000</u>		6,000
	\$ 3,002,928	\$ 2,378,237	\$ 624,691

A summary of changes in fixed assets at June 30, 2010 follows:

Asset	06/30/09	Additions	Retirements	06/30/10
Vehicles	\$ 187,377	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 187,377
Billing Software	21,465			21,465
Buildings	369,910	•	•	369,910
Equipment	406,165	11,671	28,650	389,186
Furniture	36,003			36,003
Gas System	1,883,738	86,349		1,970,087
Land	22,900			22,900
Contributed Assets	6,000			<u>6,000</u>
	\$ 2,933,558	\$ 98,020	\$ 28,650	\$ 3,002,928

#### **NOTE 4. RISK MANAGEMENT**

The District is exposed to various risks of loss; theft of, damage to, and destruction of assets; errors and omissions; injuries to employees; and natural disasters. The District has purchased commercial insurance to cover these risks. The District purchased coverage for general liability; building and contents on the buildings; commercial auto liability, comprehensive, collision, and uninsured motorists; and workers compensation. The total insurance cost for fiscal year ended June 30, 2010 was \$124,691.

#### NOTE 5. POST EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS OTHER THAN PENSIONS

Plan Description. Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish (The District) administers a single employer defined benefit healthcare plan ("the Retiree Health Care Plan"). The plan provides, until age 65, healthcare insurance for eligible retirees and their spouses through a group health insurance plan, which covers both active and retired members. Benefit provisions are established through negotiations between the District and the health insurance company and are renegotiated annually. The Retiree Health Plan does not issue a publicly available financial report.

Funding Policy. Contribution requirements are directed by the Board of Directors. The District contributes 100% of the cost of the current year premiums for eligible retired plan members and their spouses. For fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, the District contributed \$380,436 to the plan. Plan members receiving benefits contribute none of their premium costs. In fiscal year 2010, total member contributions were \$ -0-.

Annual OPEB Cost and Net OPEB Obligation. The District's annual other postemployment benefit (OPEB) cost is calculated based on the annual required contribution of the employer (ARC). The District has elected to calculate the ARC and related information using the alternative measurement method permitted by GASB Statement 45 for employers in plans with fewer than one hundred total plan members. The ARC represents a level of funding that, if paid on an ongoing basis, is projected to cover normal cost each year and to amortize any unfunded actuarial liabilities (or funding excess) over a period not to exceed thirty years. The following table shows the components of the District's annual OPEB cost for the year, the amount actually contributed to the plan, and changes in the District's net OPEB obligation to the Retiree Health Plan:

Annual required contribution	\$ 98,155
Interest on net OPEB obligation	1,578
Adjustment to annual required contribution	(3,005)
Annual OPEB cost (expense)	96,728
Contributions made	<u>(50,660</u> )
Increase in net OPEB obligation	46,068
Net OPEB obligation – beginning of year	<u>39,441</u>
Net OPEB obligation – end of year	<u>\$ 85,509</u>

The District's annual OPEB cost, the percentage of annual OPEB cost contributed to the plan, and the net OPEB obligation for fiscal year 2010 is as follows:

Fiscal Year Ended	Annual OPEB Cost	Percentages of Annual OPEB Cost Contributed	Net OPEB Obligation	
6/30/09	\$85,497	46.13 %	\$ 39,441	
6/30/10	96,730	52.40 %	85,509	

Funded Status and Funding Progress. As of June 30, 2010, the actuarial accrued liability for benefits was \$858,676, all of which was unfunded. The covered payroll (annual payroll of active employees covered by the plan) was \$619,0755 and the ratio of the unfunded actuarial accrued liability to the covered payroll was 138.7%.

Healthcare cost trend rate – The expected rate of increase in healthcare insurance premiums was based on projections of the insurer assumed to increase with medical trend rates. A rate of 10% initially, reduced to a ultimate rate of 5% after eleven years was used.

Payroll growth rate – The expected long term payroll growth rate was assumed to be equal to the rate of inflation.

Based on the historical and expected returns of the District's short term investment portfolio, a discount rate of 4% was used. In addition, a simplified version of the entry age actuarial cost method was used. The unfunded actuarial accrued liability is being amortized as a level percentage of projected payroll on an open basis. The remaining amortization period at June 30, 2009 was 20 years.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION Schedule of Funding Progress for the Retiree Health Plan

Actuarial Valuation Date	Actuarial Value of Assets (a)	Actuarial Accrued Liability (AAL)- Simplified Entry Age (b)	Unfunded AAL (UAAL) (b-a)	Funded Ratio (a-b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a percentage of covered payroll ((b-a)/c)
6/30/09	\$ -0-	\$ 772,540	\$ 772,540	0.0%	\$ 562,795	137.3%
6/30/10	-0-	858,670	858,670	0.0%	619,075	138.7%

#### NOTE 6. REQUIRED ADDITIONAL DISCLOSURES

- A. Board members do not receive per diem payments and no per diem payments were made for the year ended June 30, 2010.
- B. There were no professional service payments made to contractors for surveys, feasibility studies, or special studies;
- C. There were no federal award programs.

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## REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS

Board of Commissioners
Gas Utility District No. 1
of East Baton Rouge Parish
Zachary, Louisiana

I have audited the financial statements of Gas Utility District No.1 of East Baton Rouge Parish as of and for the year ended June 30, 2010, and have issued my report thereon dated September 20, 2010. I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in Government Auditing Standards, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States.

#### Internal Control Over Financial Reporting

In planning and performing my audit, I considered Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish's internal control over financial reporting as a basis for designing my auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing my opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, I do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal control over financial reporting.

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A deficiency in internal control exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct misstatements on a timely basis. A material weakness is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control such that there is reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of the entity's financial statements will not be prevented and corrected on a timely basis.

My consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the first paragraph of this section and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. I did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that I consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

#### Compliance and Other Matters

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish's financial statements are free of material misstatement, I performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts, and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of my audit, and accordingly, I do not express such an opinion. The results of my tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance or other matters that are required to be reported under Government Auditing Standards.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Commissioners, others within the entity and the Louisiana Legislative Auditor and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

William P. Gaines, Jr., CPA

September 20, 2010

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

## GAS UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 of EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2010

#### A. SUMMARY OF AUDITOR'S RESULTS

- 1. The auditor's report expresses an unqualified opinion on the financial statements of Gas Utility District No. 1 of East Baton Rouge Parish.
- 2. There were no reportable conditions in internal control.
- 3. There was no non-compliance which is material to the financial statements.
- 4. A management letter was not issued.
- 5. There were no findings required to be reported by Government Auditing Standards.
- 6. There were no prior audit findings.
- 7. There were no federal award programs.